Integrated Development of Mushroom

1976. SHRI J. CHITHARANJAN :
SHRI V. V. RAGHAVAN :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTUE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 3827, given in the Rajya Sabha on the 20th April, 2001 and state :

(a) whether the assistance given under the scheme of Integrated Development of Mushroom has been on the decrease year after year, from 1998-99 to 2000-2001; if so, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether Government would continue to give assistance to States for development of Mushroom ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV) : (a) The assistance given to States under Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Development of Mushroom during 1999-2000 was Rs. 178.96 Lakhs which was marginally less than amount of Rs. 197.92 Lakhs released during 1998-1999. The marginal decreases in release of funds was due to unspent balances lying the States. During 2000-2001 an amount of only Rs. 50.00 Lakhs was released to the States as this scheme was subsumed under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture—Supplementation/Complementation of States efforts through work plans from October, 2000.

(b) The Government of India continues to give assistance to States for the development of mushroom under Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture—Supplementation/Complementation of States efforts through work plans. Need for mushroom development has to be prioritized by States through their work plans.

Drought in Gujarat

1977. SHRI AHMED PATEL : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) what was the average monsoon rainfall in Gujarat during the current calendar year, district-wise;

(b) whether many parts of the state were affected by severe drought;

(c) if so, the details thereof and what was the loss of life, livestock, crops, etc.; and

(d) what relief measures were undertaken by the Central and State Governments for the drought affected people of the State ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV) : (a) The district-wise rainfall during the period from 1-6-2001 to 31-10-2001, as reported by the Government of Gujarat, is given in the Statement. *(See* below*)*

(b) to (d) No report of drought situation due to deficient rainfall during South West Monsoon 2001 has been received from the Government of Gujarat.

Statement

District-wise rainfall in Gujarat

(1-6-2001 to 30-10-2001)

Sl. No.	Name of District	Average Rainfall (in %)
1.	Ahmedabad	121.54
2.	Amreli	97.50
3.	Anand	71.86
4.	Banaskantha	113.66
5.	Bharuch	96.08
6.	Bhavnagar	121.41
7.	Dahod	71.35
8.	Dang	78.91
9.	Gandhinagar	67.79
10.	Jamnagar	130.30
11.	Junagadh	113.13
12.	Kheda	86.04
13.	Kachchh	104.55
14.	Mehsana	103.08
15.	Narmada	91.11

Sl. No.	Name of District	Average Rainfall (in %)
16.	Navsari	114.78
17.	Panchmahal	67.65
18.	Patan	99.26
19.	Porbandar	122.42
20.	Rajkot	102.14
21.	Sabarkantha	69.68
22.	Surat	114.84
23.	Surendranagar	133.26
24.	Vadodara	119.92
25.	Valsad	89.41
	STATE AVERAGE	96.33

Losses in Gujarat due to Earthquake

1978. SHRI AHMED PATEL : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have assessed the loss caused in Gujarat due to earthquake in January this year;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to make up these losses of the State ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV) : (a) and (b) As per information supplied by the Government of Gujarat, the earthquake of 26-1-2001 resulted in loss of about 13,800 human lives and caused damage to 12.54 lakh houses.

(c) In addition to release of Central share of Calamity Relief Fund (CRF), assistance of Rs. 1467.37 crore from the National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF) was released to the State.